

Association for Community Health Improvement

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Association for Community Health Improvement
Health Research and Educational Trust

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Washington, D.C.

Value

- Information, tools and relationships that help you to be more effective
- Programmatic value
- Collaborative value
- Policy/advocacy value
- Bridge for common issues among sectors



Who We Are

- National individual membership association for community health/healthy communities
- Peer networking and educational resource
- A program of the Health Research and Educational Trust
- Successor to the Coalition for Healthier Cities and Communities



Who We Are





Who We Are

➤ **Our Vision:**

Community leaders everywhere creating health where people live, work and play.

➤ **Our Mission:**

To strengthen community health through education, peer networking and practical tools.



Who We Are

- 350+ members in 43 states, D.C. and Canada
- Members work in:
 - Hospitals and health centers
 - Public health departments, associations
 - Community partnership organizations
 - Foundations
 - Local government
 - Universities
- *We are a bridge between sectors*



Who We Are

Community Services Director, Martin County Board of County Commissioners, Stuart, FL

**Community Outreach Director, St. Joseph Hospital/Peace Health
Bellingham, WA**

**Chair, Lighthouse Health Access Alliance
Barnstable, MA**

**Executive Director, Montgomery Area Community Wellness
Coalition, Equality, AL**

**Director of Community Health Services, Scottsdale Healthcare
Scottsdale, AZ**

Annual Membership Dues

- **\$195**, if you work for an organization with a budget of \$5 million or greater
- **\$100**, if you work for an organization with a budget of less than \$5 million or are self-employed
- **\$70**, if you are a student or retired



Services & Activities

- Web site with news, events, tools, people
- Educational audio conference series
- Annual conference
- Weekly E-newsletter (1,400 subscribers)
- Interest Groups
- Searchable member database



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Creating Health Where People Live, Work and Play



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Welcome to the Association for Community Health Improvement!

ACHI is the premier, national individual membership association for community health and healthy communities.

It is a peer networking and educational resource for those working in hospitals and health centers, public health, community organizations, philanthropy, and more.

The Collaboration Primer:

Proven Strategies, Considerations and Tools to Get You Started

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..... Highlights

Register for ACHI's Audio Conferences

A Healthier You, 2002 Legacy Awards:
statewide healthy communities award program
(January 15, 2004, 9:00 a.m. PT)
Connie Kitchens, Program Coordinator
San Francisco, CA

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- [IOM urges U.S. to achieve universal health coverage by 2010](#)
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- [GNYHA, union announce universal health coverage proposal](#)



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for community health

Transforming health care through research and education

National Event Calendar

This calendar presents the Association for Community Health Improvement's audio conferences, annual conference and other programs. It also lists other selected national meetings and events.

Also visit our **listing of state level conferences and events**.

Association for Community Health Improvement events are in yellow.

Date	Event	Location
January 22-24, 2004	Integrative Medicine for Healthcare Organizations: <i>Business Strategies, Practical Tools and Best Practices</i> , sponsored by Health Forum	San Diego, CA
January 29-30, 2004	Second Community Benefit Conference (agenda) and conference brochure (Adobe Acrobat file) Sponsored by CHA, VHA Inc., the VHA Health Foundation, and the Coalition for Nonprofit Health Care	Miami, FL
February 18-19, 2004	Health Care for the Homeless 2004 Conference: For information, write Randy Pinnelli	Sacramento, CA
February 18-20, 2004	National Conference on Chronic Disease Prevention and Control: <i>Investing in Health: the Dollars and Sense of Prevention</i>	Washington, DC
March 10-13, 2004	Community Indicators Conference: Advances in the Science and Practice of Community Indicators, <i>co-sponsored by ACHI</i>	Reno, NV
March 15-19, 2004	39th International Making Cities Livable (IMCL) Conference: Healthy Community & Built Environment	Sarasota, FL



Services & Activities

- **Educational audio conference series**
 - Healthy Community Awards Addressing Policy, Infrastructure and Outcomes
 - Improving Children's Health and Quality of Life: An Award Winning Tale of Commitment, Creativity and Collaboration
 - Prescription Discount Program: Expanding Access in a Non-Profit Integrated Delivery System
 - Linking Community Indicators to Action and Policy: Exploring Practical & Applied Lessons

From: Mandoki, Jutka

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Subject: Community Health Newsletter, 1-15-04

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Write "please subscribe me" to communityhlth@aha.org

Jan 15, 2004

News & Resources**Funding & Awards****Events****Positions & Scholarships****RECOMMEND
COMMUNITY
HEALTH NEWS TO
YOUR
COLLEAGUES****News & Resources****UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE CAN BE ACHIEVED**

In a new report, the New America Foundation concludes that universal health care coverage can be achieved if an adequate level of insurance is made mandatory and affordable for all U.S. citizens. The report said such a system should start with a social bargain -- access to adequate and affordable coverage in exchange for personal responsibility to maintain insurance with a contribution based on ability to pay. Under the report's proposal, contributions to the cost of health insurance would come from federal tax subsidies, an employer contribution and individual payments. The report and executive summary can be found at www.newamerica.net under "health insurance." [AHA News Now, 1-12-04]

AHA SUMMARY COMPARES PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES' HEALTH COVERAGE PROPOSALS

The American Hospital Association has published a table comparing the various health care coverage and access proposals announced by 2004 presidential candidates to date. The summary comparison can be found at www.hospitalconnect.com/aha/nhcp/index.html. [AHA News Now, 1-12-04]

INSURING AMERICA'S HEALTH: PRINCIPLES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Institute of Medicine issued a report calling on the president and Congress to strive to achieve universal health insurance coverage in the U.S. by 2010, citing the substantial society costs that result from more than 43 million Americans lacking health insurance. The final report from a three-year IOM study of the nation's uninsured offered guiding principles for judging proposed solutions, saying health care coverage should be universal, continuous and affordable to individuals and families and should promote access to high-quality care that is effective, efficient, safe, timely, patient-



Services & Activities

- Our role at the national level:
 - Collect and disseminate local/state level success stories, practices, tools
 - Amplify the voices of local champions
 - Analyze and report on trends
 - Conduct demonstration & research projects with local participants
 - Convene and collaborate with state and regional associations

Thank you!

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